--- CANADA LEAF ONLY - Quebec Division - "Series of 1881" - 3rd BABN Contract ---

--- 1/20th pound - perforated 12 - *lithographed* in GREEN ink - 4 mm. blue controls ---

--- 238 x 20 mm. - inscribed *G. La Rue / Collector* **- scanned at 67% scale ---**

Chris Ryan reports that *G. La Rue* replaced *J. E. Fortier* as Collector at Quebec on February 16th 1878.

Chris Ryan reports in the "Canadian Revenue Newsletter" of March 2003, that in anticipation of the Act of 1883 the Revenue Department, on January 13th 1883, instructed BABN not to print any new supplies of the soon to be supplanted 1880-81 strips, unless specially authorized to do so. On July 1st 1883 the Department declared that the 1/20th, 1/10th and 2 pound green strips were *obsolete*.

3rd BABN Contract (1878-1886) — John McKay records 109,200 *lithographed* copies of "1-20 Green Leaf Ribbon" were 'delivered'. There were no 1/20th pound "Canada Twist Only" or "Tabac Canadien / en Torquette" strips, so all of these "Green Leaf Ribbon" were inscribed "Canada Leaf Only"

4th BABN Contract (1886-1892) — John McKay records in the first TOBACCO section of the 4th BABN Contract the 'delivery' of 10,008 *lithographed* copies of "1/20 lb. Green Canada Leaf"

These were *control-numbered* copies released to the Area Collectors in 1886-87, after they had been declared *obsolete* on July 1st 1883, probably *with* the Department's permission to use the residual stock of control numbered 1/20th pound green strips.

Lastly McKay records that 16,476 *lithographed* copies of "1/20 Green Ribbon" were 'Delivered' under the second 'TOBACCO' section **4th BABN Contract**. This second 'TOBACCO' section is a listing of the *obsolete* issues that were 'Delivered' by BABN to the "Inland Revenue Department" in February / March 1888 for disposal.

The total is 109,200 + 10,008 + 16,476 = 135,684

--- The highest control number - as recorded to date ---

1/20 pound, Quebec Division - **000054**

The catalogue lists the 1/20th pound Quebec Division CANADA LEAF ONLY strip as follows:

RP-123 - 1/20th pound, green, perforated 12, Quebec Division, on *block wmkd* vertical mesh wove - 4 mm. blue controls

RP-123n - 1/20th pound, green, perforated 12, Quebec Division, without control numbering
Lithographed on *block watermarked* vertical mesh wove

see the OVERPRINTS file for the following

RP-416a - **1/5 lb.** on 1/20th pound, green, perf 12, Quebec Division, on *unwatermarked* horizontal mesh wove

Judging by **RP-416a** it seems that **RP-124** should exist on *unwatermarked* horizontal mesh wove paper.

--- RP-123 - 1/20th pound - perforated 12 - on *block watermarked* vertical mesh wove ---

RP-123 - 1/20th pound, green, perforated 12, Quebec Division, control number **000002**
Lithographed on *block watermarked* vertical mesh wove

000002★	P-123	1/20th pound, perforated 12, block watermarked vertical mesh
000004-05	P-123	1/20th pound, perforated 12, block watermarked vertical mesh
000006	P-123	1/20th pound, perforated 12, block watermarked vertical mesh
000009	P-123	1/20th pound, perforated 12, block watermarked vertical mesh
000042	P-123	1/20th pound, perforated 12, block watermarked vertical mesh
000053	P-123	1/20th pound, perforated 12, block watermarked vertical mesh
000054	P-123	1/20th pound, perforated 12, block watermarked vertical mesh

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The following imperforate strip is a remnant. It has been scissor-clipped from an unfinished imperforate sheet. Since it was not a production item, I feel that it is preferable to simply list it without a separate catalogue number.

1/20th pound, green, *imperforate*, Quebec Division, without control numbering
Lithographed on *block watermarked* vertical mesh wove

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